



ASSOCIATION FOR EPISCOPAL DEACONS

ENGAGING THE DIAKONIA OF ALL BELIEVERS

Life and Work of Deacons – June 2022 The Story of Mary and Martha

Friday, June 3 – 7:00-9:00 PM Eastern

- 7:00 Welcome by Board President Tracie Middleton and Interim Executive Director Carter Hawley
- 7:05 Gathering Exercise
Zoom allows us to gather more easily from throughout the Church, but it also is harder to connect with others. One goal of this gathering is to create stronger networks between deacons throughout the Church, so please join for this.
- 7:40 Welcome and Introduction Video Message from Presiding Bishop Curry
Because of COVID, this welcome is a pre-recorded message from PB Curry.
- 8:00 Small group discussions
What did you hear? What felt challenging? What are you hoping to hear tomorrow as we further explore the life and work of deacons through the story of Mary and Martha?
- 8:30 Introduction of Self Assessment Tool
Whether you're still in discernment, or well into your ministry, we hope this tool will provide a way for you to assess both your strengths and where you'd like to focus more effort.
- 9:00 Go in Peace

Saturday, June 4, 2022 2:00 – 6:00 PM Eastern Time (with breaks)

- 2:00 Welcome & Bible Study
We will read through Luke 10:38-42 and ask a few questions
- 2:30 Life of deacons (The Rev. Laura Thomas Howell, Obl, S.B (she/her))
How do we relate to Mary's depth and Martha's length as disciples? What's the relationship between work and prayer?

3:30 Break

4:00 Work of Deacons (The Rev. Canon Chris McCloud (she/her))
How do we see the work we do during liturgy? Is it part of Martha's hospitality? Or Mary's depth? How can it be both?

4:55 Break

5:00 Work of Deacons (The Rev. Connie Campbell-Pearson (she/her))

When we're embarking on ministry in the community, how do we remain rooted in the depth of scripture and Jesus? What are the practical steps that need to be taken?

5:55 Regather for next steps

6:00 Go in Peace